

Neil MacMullan, Account Executive for Microsoft State and Local Government for the State of California, presents one of six 2006 Microsoft Solutions Showcase Awards for "excellence in technology" for their contribution to the modernization of the State's IT architecture and infrastructure to State CIO Clark Kelso and the CEAP team – the California Enterprise Architecture Program. Pictured left to right are: Steve Clemons, CEAP Program Director - Phase I; Claudina Nevis, Assistant to the California State CIO; and, Clark Kelso, State CIO.

The CEAP team is chartered with providing the State with comprehensive enterprise architecture for information technology – no small feat for a State Government that is the most populous in the Union, growing rapidly, and has faced significant budget and political challenges in the past few years. Against this background, the CEAP team has worked collaboratively with the stakeholders to provide a segmented, incremental approach to revitalizing the State's IT infrastructure while keeping strategic goals in mind. As important, the CEAP has recognized that this process cannot be a static one, but is a dynamic process that must be updated as demands and technologies change.